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DETAILED ACTION

This is in response to application filed on July 12, 2005 in which claims 1 - 17 are presented for examination.

Status of Claims

The examiner is examining the attached replacement sheets containing preliminary amendment of claims and drawings. Claims 1 – 17 are pending, of which claims 1, and 8 are in independent form. Claims 4 - 7 and 11 - 12 have been currently amended and 13 – 17 have been added by the applicant.

Priority

 Acknowledgment is made of applicant's claim for foreign priority under 35
U.S.C. 119(a)-(d). The certified copy has been filed in parent Application No. 2003-011857 and 2003-011858, filed on January 21, 2003 in Japan.

Information Disclosure Statement

1. The information disclosure statement filed July 12, 2005 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2), which requires a legible copy of each cited foreign patent document; each non-patent literature publication or that portion which caused it to be listed; and all other information or that portion which caused it to be listed. It has been placed in the application file, but the information referred to therein has not been considered.

Specification

2. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: